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## **WorkSource Sunnyside Awarded \$8,000 to Provide Services to Job Seekers with Disabilities and Language Barriers**

### **Job Fair and Open House Scheduled for June 25**

SUNNYSIDE – WorkSource Sunnyside was awarded \$8,000 by the Washington State Employment Security Department to provide special services to unemployment claimants with disabilities and limited English skills and to businesses who hire them.

WorkSource Sunnyside Manager Dorothy Bristow said the grant will pay for an open house and job fair on June 25 at WorkSource Sunnyside.

The open house is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon. It will highlight tax credits, training programs, and other services available to employers who hire workers with limited English skills and disabilities.

A job fair will follow from 1 – 6 p.m. Interpreters will be available to help serve job seekers who speak Spanish.

The grant will also pay for special workshops in resume writing, interviewing, searching for jobs online, and other skills to help job seekers find and keep jobs in today's competitive market.

And the money will be used to modify current job search materials to meet the needs of job seekers with developmental disabilities. Materials will be in large print and will contain job search information and activities at appropriate levels.

“We’re very excited about the opportunity to be creative in our approach to integrate more services for the developmentally disabled into our WorkSource,” said Bristow.

The \$8,000 allocated to WorkSource Sunnyside is part of a \$100,000 U.S. Department of Labor grant received by Employment Security to distribute to local programs that assist people in finding work.

WorkSource Sunnyside provides all the resources job seekers and employers need in one place. The center is located at 1925 Morgan Road. For more information, call (509) 836-5405 or visit the WorkSource Web site at <http://www.go2worksource.com>.

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